At a SESSION of the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND, begun and held at the CITY of ANNAPOLIS, on Monday, the 2d of November, in the year of our Lord 1801, and ended the 31st of December in the same year, the following laws were enacted.

JOHN FRANCIS MERCER, Esquire, Governor.

C H A P. An ACT to enable the court of appeals to continue certain causes. Passed gist of? BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the court of appeals now sitting, be Court may continue and they are hereby authorised to continue any cause depending in the said court, until and tinue causes

during the November term next ensuing, which they may think proper, in order for a hearing on the merits, and not for delay.

C H A P.

An ACT to settle and ascertain the salary of members of the Passed 315 of Dec. 1801. council for the ensuing year.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That each member of the council shall be Salary ascentified to receive, for the ensuing year, the sum of two hundred pounds current money for tained. his salary.

An ACT to prevent swine from going at large in the town of Sa-Passed 31s of Dec. 1801. lisbury, in Somerset and Worcester counties.

THEREAS it is represented to this general assembly, that sundry persons in the town of Preamble. Salisbury, in Somerset and Worcester counties, do raise and keep a great number of swine, and suffer them to go and remain at large within the said town, to the great injury of the inhabitants thereof; therefore,

II. BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That after the end of this ses- Swine not sion, it shall not be lawful for any person or persons whatsoever, inhabitants of Salisbury, or the goat large, &c. inhabitants or proprietors of small lots of ground containing less than ten acres of land, lying and being within one half of a mile from said town, to raise or keep any swine within said town, or within one half of a mile of said town, except in enclosures, or to suffer any swine to go and remain at large within said town, or within one half of a mile of said town; and if any swine belonging to the inhabitants of said town, or inhabitants or proprietors of lots as aforesaid, shall be found going and remaining at large within said town, or within half of a mile of said town, it shall and may be lawful for any person or persons to impound the same, and such person or persons shall immediately give notice, by advertisements set up at the most public places in the said town, describing the swine so impounded, and if the owner or owners thereof shall not, within ten days thereafter, prove his, her or their property therein, and make compensation for the injury, if any, which may have been sustained by any inhabitants of the said town, to be ascertained by any two disinterested persons, inhabitants as aforesaid, and shall not pay for every such swine, to the person impounding the same, the sum of twenty-five cents for every day it shall have been so impounded, it shall and may be lawful for the person or persons so impounding as aforesaid to sell or kill the same for his, her or their use and benefit.

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